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METHOD FOR MAKING SAME)

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached. With respect to the non-English language documents, Applicants submit the following remarks:

1. DE 42 40 681 C2 - An English language abstract of the disclosure of this document is submitted herewith.
2. EP 0 878 491 A2 - An English language abstract of the disclosure of this document is submitted herewith.
3. "DIALYSIS WITHOUT HEPARIN" - An English language translation is submitted herewith.

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4. "ANTICOAGULATION OF EXTRACORPOREAL CIRCULATIONS FOR DIALYSIS" - An English language translation is submitted herewith.
5. "MODIFIED COLLAGEN PREVENTS TISSUE ADHESION" - An English language translation is submitted herewith.
6. "SURFACE HEPARINISATION" - An English language translation is submitted herewith.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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